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GRAND JURY ROOM IN TUCSON FEDERAL COURTHOUSE TO BE DEDICATED IN MEMORY OF RIC COOPER

TUCSON, Ariz. -- United States Attorney, Paul Charlton, Chief Assistant U.S. Attorney, Jennifer Guerin, the U.S. Attorney's Office and federal judges and courthouse staff will hold a memorial service in Tucson on Thursday during which the Grand Jury Room of the Federal Courthouse will be dedicated in the memory of former Assistant U.S. Attorney Ric Cooper, who was killed in April. The memorial is not open to the general public.

Out of respect for the wishes of the family of Ric Cooper, one camera will be allowed into the memorial. Normally local TV stations would be asked to choose a pool videographer amongst themselves. However, due to the sensitive nature of this memorial, KVOA-TV has been asked to provide a pool videographer. Reporters are asked not to attend but can watch the feed on a portable deck and can request a copy of the tape from KVOA.

The family may be available for interviews after the memorial. The U.S. Attorney, the Chief Assistant and Judge Roll, the presiding district court judge, Tucson, will be available after the memorial for interviews. Interviews will be non-pooled.

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Date: Thursday, June 17, 2004
Time: 3:00 p.m.
Location: Evo DeConcini Federal Courthouse
Jury Assembly Room, 1st floor
405 W. Congress (Congress and Granada)
Tucson, Arizona

Media requesting a pooled tape can contact Cathie Batbie at KVOA at (520) 624-2477.
Media requesting an interview with the U.S. Attorney, the Chief Assistant, Judge Roll, or the Cooper family can contact Sandy Raynor, Public Affairs Officer, at (602) 525-2681. Raynor will be on site for the event.

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